

**Amendments to the Claims:**

The listing of claims below is intended to replace all prior listings of claims presented in the above-identified application.

1-33. (canceled)

34. (previously presented) An isolated or purified polypeptide comprising PspC, wherein the polypeptide has the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 13.

35-47. (canceled)

48. (previously presented) An immunogenic, immunological, or vaccine composition comprising the polypeptide of claim 34.

49. (previously presented) A method for eliciting an immunological response in a subject against *Streptococcus pneumoniae* comprising administering to the subject the polypeptide of claim 34.

50. (currently amended) The method of claim 49, wherein said method is ~~performed~~ performed by administering an injection or by oral, nasal, or mucosal administration.

51. (previously presented) A method for eliciting an anti-PspA antibody in a subject comprising administering to the subject the polypeptide of claim 34.

52. (currently amended) The method of claim 51, wherein said method is ~~performed~~ performed by administering an injection or by oral, nasal, or mucosal administration.

53. (previously presented) A method for eliciting an immunological response in a subject against *Streptococcus pneumoniae* comprising administering to the subject the composition of claim 48.

54. (currently amended) The method of claim 53, wherein said method is ~~performed~~ performed by administering an injection or by oral, nasal, or mucosal administration.

55. (previously presented) A method for eliciting an anti-PspA antibody in a subject comprising administering to the subject the composition of claim 48.

56. (currently amended) The method of claim 55, wherein said method is ~~performed~~ performed by administering an injection or by oral, nasal, or mucosal administration.